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| <b>Interview Summary</b> | <b>Application No.</b> | <b>Applicant(s)</b> |  |
|                          | 09/740,263             | BARRACLOUGH ET AL.  |  |
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Date of Interview: 18 May 2009.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference  
c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hamlin (US 5,574,964).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discussed differences between the household common bus of the invention and the household common bus of the Hamlin reference. Applicant proposed amending the claims to clarify the packet nature of the invention's bus to distinguish from the frequency-based bus of Hamlin. The examiner stated that further search and/or consideration would be required.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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